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SUBJECT: ENVIROMENTAL ASSESSMENT OF THE ALASKAN MARINE SYSTEMS

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"1. HAVE READ PART III-CORE, KEY PART OF PROPOSAL, FROM POINT-OF-VIEW OF HIRING AGENCY HEADS. AS PERSONS NOT PROFICIENT IN TECHNOLOGY, SCIENCE, OR FIELD NATURAL HISTORY, IS BEST TO BE FUNDAMENTAL AND INCLUSIVE IN PRESENTATION ASSUMING NOTHING BUT BASIC HIGH INTELLIGENCE.

"2. SUGGEST STRONGLY THAT YOU AUGMENT, PART III WITH AN EXPLANATORY SECTION DESIGNED TO GIVE CLEAR STATEMENT OF (1) STATE-OF-THE-ART AND SSCIENCE IN THIS AREA; (2) DIFFICULTIES PECULAIR TO MARINE RESEARCH; (3) MANDATORY NEED FOR REPLICATIONS IN ALL BIOLOGICAL AND MUCH PHYSICAL ENVIROMENTAL RESEARCH; (4) RANGE OF VARIABILITY NORMAL TO BIOLOGICAL AND PHYSICAL SYSTEMS; (5) SEVERITY OF ARCTIC ENVIRONMENT THAT PRECLUDES ALL WORK AT SOME INTERVALS AND DAMAGES EQUIPMENT, NEGATES DATA, REQUIRES PLANS TO BE REDONE, ETC.

"3. THEN ADD CRITERIA FOR DELIMITING "MAJOR" THROUGHOUT OBJECTIVES, BEFORE STATE THE OBJECTIVES. SUGGESTED CRITERIA MIGHT BE:

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1. COMMERCIAL SPECIES (INTERNATIONAL AND NATIONAL)

2. SPECIES IMPORTANT TO ESKIMO AND OTHER NATIVE SUBSISTENCE,
INCLUDING RUSSIAN, JAPANESE, ETC.

3. SPOT SPECIES, (NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL)

4. ESSENTIAL COMPONENTS OF FOOD CHAIN FOR 1,2,3 AND FOR
(A) SEA BIRDS (B) MARINE MAMMALS (C) RARE AND ENDANGERED
SPECIES.

5. RARE, ENDANGERED, AND THREATENED SPECIES.

"6. SPECIES OF ECOSYSTEM HEALTH LIKE SEA BIRDS (DIAGRAM
AND REFERENCES COMING IN POUCH).

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